

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

"USE OF PROTEASOME INHIBITORS TO TREAT DRY EYE DISORDERS"

described and claimed in the foregoing specification, that this application in part discloses and claims subject matter disclosed in the earlier filed pending application, Serial No. 10/150,191 filed May 17, 2002.

(Attorney Docket No. 2149A) the specification of which:

(XX) is attached hereto.

() was filed by an authorized person on my behalf on _____ as Application Serial No. _____ and was amended on _____ (if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

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